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C5, THE GAMBIA. Paul, VE3JLP (DX Editor of The Canadian Amateur Magazine) will be in The Gambia for a week, February 10-17th. He has applied for a temporary licence and hopes to operate from the Agricultural College there where a group of VE1's left an HF station last year. His operating time will be limited as his prime reason for the trip is to visit his daughter who has a 6 months teaching contract at the college (He just learned that the ham station is in her office!). QSL via VE3JLP.

C6A, BAHAMAS. Larry, K3TLX, will operate from February 12-21. Larry will be a Single Op entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. His callsign is unknown. He will operate all HF bands during the week before the contest. QSL via K3TLX.

CARIBBEAN TRIP. John, KA3DBN, will be active from Aruba as KA3DBN/P4 from March 11-18th. Activity will be on all bands, CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. Enroute back to the frigid Northeast, he will be stopping and operating from Anguilla (VP2E) as VP2EBN and /PJ7 on St. Maarten. QSL via his CBA or bureau.

DXAC NEWS..... Garth Hamilton, VE3HO, has been appointed chairman of the DX Advisory Committee (DXAC)..... The ARRL DX Advisory Committee voted 8 to 7 to reject a petition to add Pratas Island to the DXCC Countries List based on Point 2(a), separation by water. Some of those voting against cited concerns over the possibility of intervening rocks. Others cited what they perceived as disputed ownership of the island.

PJ7, ST. MAARTEN. K7CI and W7MAP will be active from March 1-8th. Operations will be mostly CW, except for the ARRL SSB CONTEST.

POSSIBLE DELETIONS IN WORKS? There was an article in the Honolulu paper a couple of weeks ago, in which the headline read: "STATE MAY GET JOHNSTON ISLE", subheadline was "GOP PROPOSAL ALSO INCLUDES PALMYRA, MIDWAY". The main meat of the article says that a Republican proposal House Resolution H602, was introduced in Congress (in Washington) to extend Hawaii jurisdiction over four more islands, two atolls and a reef with a patch of sand 133 feet long and an underwater footprint that stretches 9 miles. Added to Hawaii would be: Baker and Howland, Jarvis, Palmyra Atoll, Kingman Reef, Johnston Atoll and Midway. The whole package contains only 7 square miles of actual land or sand, but it would give Hawaii 322,000

more square nautical miles. Except for Palmyra, all the land is Federal land. The bill was introduced by Rep. Elton Gallegly, R-Calif, the Resources subcommittee chairman.

QSL MANAGER CHANGE. Adam, N7VEW, informs OPDX that Chuck, AB7BB, will be taking over as QSL Manager for both 5V7MD and TJ1JR. All cards that were sent to Adam will be forwarded to Chuck. Address for AB7BB is: Chuck Degard, 919 W. Vaughn St. , Tempe, AZ 85823.

ST2AA, ST2/G40JW AND ST0K CARDS (UPDATE). Dick, WB2RAJ, has reported that the logs have arrived from Sudan and the QSL cards have arrived from his stateside printer. He is currently busy sending out cards to those who have already sent for requests. He has the logs for the following:

ST2/G40JW - from September 17, 1993 thru October 26, 1993. W7KCN also has a copy of these logs. To confirm any of these contacts QSL direct to WB2RAJ or W7KCN.

ST0K - from October 26, 1993 thru September 6, 1994. To confirm any of these contacts send direct to WB2RAJ.

ST2AA - from January 21, 1994 thru December 31, 1994. To confirm any of these contacts send direct to WB2RAJ. Any requests for cards that were sent to WW1V have been forwarded to WB2RAJ.

Dick states that all three stations are good for DXCC credit for the Sudan. Most of the QSL card requests sent direct to Sudan for the 1993 and early 1994 contacts never got through - for various reasons. Dick says he appreciated everybody's patience.

TN, CONGO. German members/friends of NODXA are now active as of February 4th and will continue to be active from here until about February 29th. The group (Fritz, Holger, Tom and Birgit) arrived in Brazzaville on January 26th. After a 10 day delay in receiving their licenses the callsigns being used are: TN4U for CW and TN2M for SSB. By the time you read this the team hopes to have all of their equipment up and running. Frequencies will be plus or minus the usual DX frequencies and QSL to DL7VR0.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Members of the Woodbridge Wireless group of Virginia will operate the ARRL SSB DX contest March 4-5 as VP2MFM, in the multi-two category. They will be active on CW, RTTY, and 6 meters before and after the contest, March 1-6th. Operators are WB4NFS, WD4KXB, KJ4VG, KA4RRU, K04FM, W2HPF, and W4MYA. QSL to Denis Catalano, WD4KXB, 14453 Alps Drive, Woodbridge, VA. 22193.

XE, MEXICO. Oiva, OH2NSM, and Heikki, "Henry" OH3JF, will be active from Cancun, Yucatan. It is almost the eastern most point of Mexico. Their expected stay in Mexico is February 10-20th. Their purpose is to provide zone 6 for WAZ-hunters. They will concentrate on working low-bands and Europe. Main operation bands are 160, 80, 40 and 30 meters and mostly CW. Other bands will be activated as time and propagation permits. Both OH2NSM or OH3JF are inexperienced DX-pedition operators,

"so PLEASE be patient. They will operate 7 kHz above the band edges for CW, and on SSB they will operate on normal DX-frequencies. QSL information will be given later.

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